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ÉCOLOGIQUE À COLLEX-BOSSY

# Waste newsletter

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A withered apple, a limp carrot, a crumpled potato, does that mean anything to you?

Dear residents, this year the waste newsletter is joining the cantonal campaign to raise awareness of food waste.

Personally, since La Journée Eco'llex-Bossy in September 2024, which focused on food waste, I've changed a family habit: stale bread can now be eaten in a variety of ways :

- as pancakes
- as French toast
- as toasted bread
- as breadcrumbs
- a delicacy for sheep

Discover the statistics, tips and recipes in the following pages, enjoy your reading!

Ricardo Muñoz, mayor



**withered apple**



**tatin pie**





## 2023 situation

### Evolution of the weight (kg) of annual urban waste (UW) produced per inhabitant

	2019 1'652 inhab.	2020 1'677 inhab.	2021 1'718 inhab.	2022 1'748 inhab.	2023 1'683 inhab.
Incinerated urban waste (IUW)	176	191	173	161	188
Garden waste	190	196	201	186	164
Kitchen waste	21	23	19	18	21
Glas	35	32	35	32	33
Paper	37	37	35	33	30
Others (PET, aluminum/tinplate, coffee capsules, batteries, clothes/fabric)	9	11	9	9	9
<b>Total urban waste/inhabitant (kg)</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>475</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>445</b>

Source: Service de géologie, sols et déchets (GESDEC) et RETRIPA, 2024

### DEFINITION

**Urban waste (UW):** all waste produced by households, including bulky waste, recycled waste and incinerated urban waste (IUW)

Source: Plan cantonal de gestion des déchets 2020-25, p.28, GESDEC

There has been a 17% increase (30kg/inhabitant) in incinerated municipal waste. The municipality will be taking steps to understand the reasons for this massive increase.

### Evolution of the annual recycling rate (%)

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Recycling rate	62.5	61.8	63.6	63.3	58.2

Source: Service de géologie, sols et déchets (GESDEC), 2024

### DEFINITION

**The recycling rate:** is calculated by adding all the recyclable waste collected and dividing them by the total urban waste.

Source: Plan cantonal de gestion des déchets 2020-25, p.30, GESDEC

With the exception of garden waste, the quantity of recycled waste remains similar to that of 2022. The large increase in incinerated municipal waste probably contains waste that can still be sorted. This is why the sorting rate performance is lower.



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## Food waste, tips and tricks to reduce

Imagine doing your grocery shopping and, as soon as you get home, throwing 1/3 of it in the garbage can. It's not an

idea that would occur to you. Yet, on average in Switzerland, 39% of food is thrown away.

## WE ALL DESERVE A SECOND CHANCE EVEN OUR FOOD



### BEFORE

- Plan your meals.
- Check your food storage.
- Make your grocery list by detailing the quantity to buy.



### DURING

- Stick to your grocery list.
- Give up compulsive shopping
- Shop on a full stomach.



### AFTER

- Identify food to be eaten quickly.
- Organise storage by date.
- Put in front the food to eat first.



### IN THE KITCHEN

- Cook the right quantities for the right number of guests.
- Dare to try out and invent delicious recipes using soft, soon-to-be-expired or leftover food.
- Introduce a "leftovers meal" ritual once a week.



### AT THE TABLE

- Serve small quantities at a time, even if it means refilling.
- Add other ingredients if the dish is too salty or spicy (e.g. milk or yoghurt).



### AT THE RESTAURANT

- Use your own reusable containers to take away your leftovers.



**pain rassis**

**croûte au fromage**



Recipes

and

Tips in FR

Source : Campagne de sensibilisation réalisée par la Direction de la Durabilité et du Climat (DT), 2024

## On fire with lithium

### Electronics can be found everywhere, but it's getting hotter...



More and more objects containing lithium batteries are finding their way into our daily lives. It's important to remember, however, that all these items, without exception, should not be disposed of in the household garbage can. The risk of fire is significant and increasing.

By buying LED shoes, talking stuffed animals, illuminated clothes and/or electronic cigarettes and throwing them in the garbage can, you're contributing to these hard-to-control and polluting fires. There's no sorting system for

these toxic electronic components. There are two possible solutions:

1. Question the usefulness of these objects and, if absolutely necessary, find alternatives without electronic components.
2. If it's essential for you to own it, and your item is nearing the end of its life, **bring it to a store that sells this type of item.**

but what  
does this  
puff do



~~in this  
trash bag?~~

it belongs  
here



IT'S EASY NOT TO  
MAKE A MISTAKE



This item contains a  
flammable lithium-ion  
battery. Return it to the  
place of purchase.